











Save the Date! Plymouth Township Day – June 3rd, 11am to 3pm

Amusements, food, vendors, games, and more! Community Booths and Sponsorhips Available. See page 2 for details.









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Einstein Medical Center Montgomery

Serving the communities of central Montgomery County by providing:

- A full range of medical and surgical specialty care and advanced diagnostic testing
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- Hip and Knee Joint Replacement Program certified by the Joint Commission with a Gold Seal of Approval®
- Cancer care accredited by Commission on Cancer
- Holistic and compassionate continuum of care provided by Home Health Hospice and Palliative Care



Improving our Parks

Improvements were recently made to several parks in the Township to provide fun and safe environments for the community.

Some of the larger scale projects include new roofs on our picnic pavilions located at JFK Park, Community Center Park (CCP) and East Plymouth Valley Park (EPV). The roof was also replaced at the concession and bathroom building at EPV.

Playground upgrades were completed at JFK, Blackhorse Park, Colwell Park, Alan Wood Park and CCP. Old equipment was replaced with new features including a play panel, swings, seesaws and Omni Spin spinners. Work has also completed on the under drain system at CCP.

A Township owned property was demolished at JFK making room for a future parking expansion.

A baseball field at EPV was renovated to include a new infield with an under drain system, sod and infield mix.

Bring the kids out this spring to enjoy the outdoors. A complete listing of our parks and what they offer can be found online at www.plymouthtownship.org.



Plymouth Township Day

June 3rd 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at East Plymouth Valley Park

Don't miss this fun filled family event! Amusements, Food, Community Booths, Games and more!

If you wish to host a Community Booth, contact Joanna Sharapan at 610-313-8681

or jsharapan @plymouth township.org.

Sponsorship opportunities available!

Please contact Susan Vacchiano at 610-313-8683 or svacchiano@plymouthtownship.org





Plymouth Township News

Calling 9-1-1 from A Cell Phone

The Montgomery County Department of Public Safety asks that anyone who calls 9-1-1 from a cellular phone in communities near the County border immediately state that "I'm calling from Montgomery County" when the call-taker answers the phone.

If the nearest cell tower to where the call is placed is across the border in a neighboring county, the call will be routed to the 9-1-1 centers in Philadelphia, Bucks, Berks, Chester or Delaware counties, depending on where the tower is located.

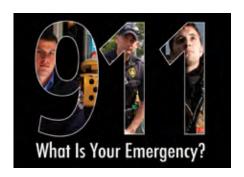
The neighboring 9-1-1 centers will transfer the call to Montgomery County, but the time it takes to figure out the actual location, transfer the call and then supply the information about the incident again, could make a difference in saving someone's life.

Stating "I'm calling from Montgomery County" at the outset will greatly reduce any delay in getting people the help they need. Cell phone calls to 9-1-1 do not give your address or location, so be sure to give that information as well.

Using a landline to call 9-1-1 will result in the call automatically being routed to the proper call center.

Emergency Notification System

Code Red is name of the Township's emergency notification system. Residents can go to the Township website at www. plymouthtownship.org and click on the Code Red logo on the homepage. You'll be linked to Code Red's site where you can enter additional phone numbers and email addresses to receive emergency and community service announcements from the Township, such as evacuation notices, bio-terrorism alerts, boil water notices, mosquito spraying notices and missing child reports, to name a few.



"911 What's Your Emergency" Display

Township resident, Emily Thomas has displayed her photo essay entitled "911 What's Your Emergency" in the Township Administration Building. This wonderful exhibit includes photographs of our fire, police and ambulance personnel and the stories of their toughest day on the job. It is truly amazing how brave and courageous our First Responders are! Please stop by and see it.

Township Grants

Germantown Pike Sidewalk Grant

The new sidewalk on Germantown Pike connecting Jolly Road to Walton Road is now completed. Funding for this project was awarded by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and provides a safe access to local businesses and Community Center Park.



Wetherill Park (HWP) Playground and initial classroom

Construction at Harriet Wetherill Park to install a playground, pavilion and initial renovations to the barn to include a classroom and restrooms is now completed thanks to a grant from DCNR. Be sure to check out the new playground this spring at the 2642 Butler Pike entrance. The barn will be the home of our future Nature Center.

Special Needs Registry

The Montgomery County Public Safety Department, in partnership with Bucks and Chester counties, wants people to sign up for the Special Needs Registry if it would be difficult for them to arrange for their own safety in an emergency.

This program is free, voluntary and strictly confidential. It is designed to help those who would have difficulty evacuating during a crisis because of physical or cognitive limitations, language barriers or due to a lack of transportation.

Individuals (or their caregivers) are encouraged to register electronically, if possible, by going online to www.specialneedspa.org

Paper registration forms are also available by writing or calling: **Montgomery County**

Department of Public Safety 50 Eagleville Road, Eagleville, PA 19403 (610) 631-6500







Harriet Wetherill Park Nature Center

DCED has recently awarded a grant to continue work on the HWP barn. Our plans are to make repairs to various outside wall sections and to the roof. We are currently working on bid specs and hope to bid the project this summer with construction commencing in the fall.



Open Space Plan

DCNR has awarded Plymouth Township Parks and Recreation a \$50,000 grant towards an updated Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan that will include a bikeway and walking connectivity plan. The Plan will be prepared in conjunction with the overall Township Comprehensive Plan. The study will begin later this year and should be completed in approximately two years.

Please continue to look in our future publications to read about updates on these projects.



Just a Reminder... Keep our parks beautiful

- 1. Pets are permitted but must be leashed at all times
- 2. Pet owners are reminded that by ordinance all pet waste is to be cleaned up immediately
- 3. Mutt Mitts are available for your convenience

Fundraising for our Parks

Ridge Park Elementary School held a mock election to teach the students about the election process. In an effort to help enhance our community, Ridge Park Elementary paired up with Plymouth Township Parks and Recreation to raise money to donate an item to the Harriet Wetherill Park. Students raised money through a school-wide Penny Challenge where each grade level competed against each other to raise the most money. On Ridge Park Election Day, the two final candidates were a Bird Hotel and a Buddy Bench. Ridge Park students hit the polls and voted for the item they wanted to see at Harriet



Wetherill Park. The winning item was Bird Hotel. Due to outstanding participation in the Penny Challenge, Ridge Park students raised \$1,402.95 to donate to Harriet Wetherill Park!

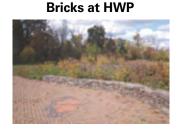
Plymouth Elementary School also ran a fundraiser to support Harriet Wetherill Park. The students sold bags of bird seed to family members, staff and people in our community. The fundraiser brought in over \$1,000. This money was used to purchase birdseed, a bin to house the birdseed, and several birdfeeders that could be placed around Harriet Wetherill Park. At the community outreach night students and families were able to make birdfeeders, learn about the park and listen to stories and research about birds. This curriculum night provided students with an opportunity to learn more about this local park, while also reading, writing and using creativity to help a community park.

Leave your Mark in the Park

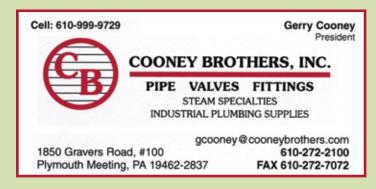
A great way to remember a loved one, celebrate a joyous occasion or leave a permanent impression in one of our parks is to purchase a bench, tree or brick as a tribute. Benches and trees come with a personalized plaque. New bench and tree locations are available with the enhancement at Harriet Wetherill Park. For order forms, please visit our website, www.plymouthcommunitycenter.org or contact Susan Vacchiano at 610-313-8683 or svacchiano@plymouthtownship.org













Employee Service Recognitions



Dan Gallagher – 30 years



Pete Prosock – 30 years



Michael LaPenta – 20 Years



Scott Vocht – 20 years



Officer Jeff Conrad – 20 years

Citizen Board Recognitions



Pat Iannelli – Park, Recreation & Shade Tree Advisory Board



Jim Staples – East Norriton-Plymouth-Whitpain Joint Sewer Authority



Vincent Frangiosa – Zoning Hearing Board

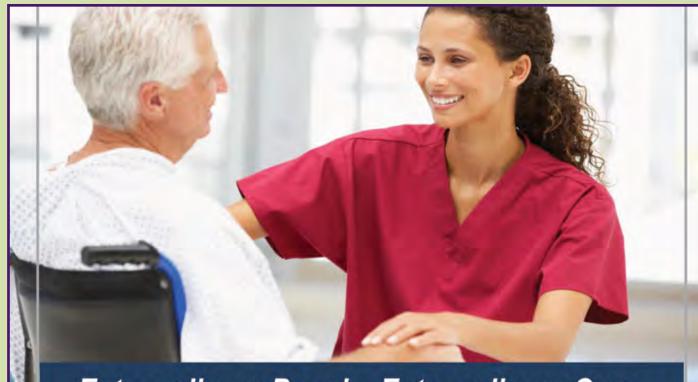


Darrell Sams – Emergency Services Board



Paul Krepto – Historical Architectural Review Board

Thank you all for your service!



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As a community-based hospital, Suburban Community
Hospital provides comprehensive services that are
tailored to the medical needs of our local
neighborhoods. From the modernized ER, to the
innovative Cancer Center, and through our outpatient
health centers, SCH has provided easy access to high
quality healthcare right here in central
Montgomery County for over 70 years.

- ✓ Emergency Services
- ✓ Robotic Surgery
- ✓ Cancer Center
- ✓ Heartburn Treatment Center
- ✓ Wound Care Center
- ✓ Cardiac Rehabilitation
- ✓ Pulmonary Rehabilitation
- ✓ Interventional Radiology
- ✓ Smoking Cessation Program



Suburban Community Hospital

2701 DeKalb Pike, East Norriton, PA 19416 610.278.2000 suburbanhosp.org

Harmonville Fire Company

Good day from the Officers and Members of the Harmonville Fire Company No. 1. We hope that each and every one of you has a safe and enjoyable New Year! The Harmonville Fire Company proudly protects and serves the residents and businesses of Plymouth Township,

surrounding communities and parts of the Pennsylvania Turnpike, 24 hours a day, seven days a week and has been since 1924. We operate out of two stations located in Plymouth Township, our main station - 2100 Butler Pike and our substation - 904 Germantown Pike. With these two locations, our members are ready to respond at a moment's notice.



Quint 44 operating a building fire

2016 was a pretty busy year for us. We responded to 577 calls for service, ranging from small brush fires, fire/carbon monoxide alarms, reports of dwelling/building fires, various types of rescues and other types of incidents. Besides responding to calls for service, members attended a total of 63 training sessions between in-house training and the Montgomery County Public Safety Training Campus, and 70 Special Services ranging from meetings, fundraisers and various fire prevention activities, including Plymouth Township Day and visiting the summer camps to discuss fire prevention. The Harmonville Fire Company is also part of two different task forces. The first one is the Colonial Regional Technical Rescue Task Force, made up of companies from Plymouth, Whitemarsh and Springfield Townships, and Ambler and Conshohocken Boroughs. This task force specializes in high angle, industrial, confined space, collapse, trench, water & vehicle

rescues. Secondly, we are part of the Montgomery County Fire Task Force. This task force is made up of a handful of companies in the Eastern part of Montgomery County.

Being a volunteer organization, we are always in need of new members to join our firehouse family. There are many roles that we fill, from Firefighting & Rescue Operations to Fire Police Operations, to Administrative Operations. Our Firefighting/Rescue Operations train to save lives and protect property and to keep the community we serve safe! These roles have various



Tower 44 crew escorting Santa to the Plymouth Meeting Mall

job duties including forcible entry, fire extinguishment, search and rescue, and driving and operating the apparatus. We also have a Junior Firefighter program which is for 14-17 year olds who are interested in joining the Fire Company. The Fire Police operations help

keep our firefighters, as well as the public safe, at emergency scenes by providing traffic and crowd control. Our administrative group keeps the company running, from meetings within the company to meetings with our Plymouth Township Council. They are the guys and girls who are "behind the scenes" making sure we can be the best we can be! Finally, if you want to join to help out in any way you can, we are always looking for new members to help at special functions, such as our fire prevention demonstrations and fundraisers. If you or anyone you know would like to join our family, there are multiple ways of doing so. You can stop by either station during the day Monday through Friday, stop by our main station Monday nights (our drill night) between 6:30-10:00, or visit our website, Facebook, Instagram or Twitter, leave us a message and someone will be in touch with you.

To keep up with Harmonville Fire Company, visit our website, Facebook, Instagram or twitter pages

www.hfc44.com www.facebook.com/harmonvillefirecompany Instagram: harmonvillefire Twitter: @harmonvillefire



As we rang in a new year, there were some changes to Harmonville Fire Company. Chief Kevin Lawrence, who has been our leader for the last 14 years, has decided to not take the helm of the company for another term. Also, President James Behr who has been our President on and off for almost 25 years will not be leading the administrative side. These two gentlemen have led our company faithfully with great honor and distinction during their tenures. They both have led us to be one of the best trained, equipped and respected companies in the area. We would like to wish them well (even though they aren't going anywhere fast) and even though a thank you is never enough for all they have done, we thank them for all the time and dedication to this fire company. When the bell struck midnight, Matthew McCloskey took over as the Chief of the Company and Michael McGuigan took over as President.

Plymouth Fire Company



Firefighting: The Plymouth Fire Company has been serving Plymouth Township and neighboring communities since 1906. Over the past few months, the Company has been very busy covering over 500 calls, including building fires, fire alarms, vehicle accidents, and water rescues.

Training: The members of Plymouth Fire Company train hard each Tuesday evening starting at 7:00. Trainings include

vehicle rescue training, water rescue training, and even live burns at the Montgomery County Public Safety Training Campus.

Community Involvement: In addition to the firefighting business, Plymouth Fire Company continues to participate in events such as Plymouth Township Day, Saint Patrick's Day Parade, Fourth of July Parade, and our annual Santa Run allowing us to stay involved in the community and in the many traditions. We also have a dedicated Ladies Auxiliary that hosts multiple events for the public. In the upcoming months, the ladies will have their bi-annual Penny Auction and the members of Plymouth Fire Company will be hosting a small cookout for the Conshohocken Independence Day fireworks. Updated events can be found on plymouthfireco.com or on the Plymouth Fire Company Facebook page.

Membership: Member Jack O'Hara Sr. was made a life member and Wayne Pertuch has reached 50 years with the



company. Both men helped in the transition from the company's old station to the current location on Colwell Lane. In addition, many other members reached milestones in 2016 including Frank Burton (45 years), Ray Stocchi (40 years), John Kijak (35 years), Kevin Pezzano (35 years), and Atlee Burpee (25 years). We have recently seen many members returning to the company as active members and for special events, such as our annual members Christmas party.

Hall Rentals: Plymouth Fire Company has been under construction for several months. The upgrade is now finished, and greatly improves the functionality of the rental hall as well as benefits to the members. The addition includes new offices, a larger member's area, and a larger, completely renovated hall. The hall is now available for all functions, including parties, business meetings, and luncheons. For more information on renting the hall, visit plymouthfireco.com or contact our hall rental chairman, Frank Burton, at 484-614-7578.



Volunteer! Our members are volunteers and enjoy providing a service to the residents and visitors of Plymouth Township. We are always looking to add more people to our ranks. The company has many positions available in our firefighting, fire police, and administrative ranks. If you would like to serve your community by becoming a member of Plymouth Fire Company, there are members present Monday through Friday from 7 AM to 3 PM, and on every Tuesday night from 7PM to 10PM. If you are unable to make it during those hours, please feel free to email us at PlymouthFireCo@gmail.com.



PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY AMBULANCE



ROSC

What is ROSC? ROSC is the Return of Spontaneous Circulation. How is ROSC achieved? ROSC is achieved by immediate high quality CPR, early defibrillation of lethal irregular heart rhythm, and the quick and

critical thinking of EMT's and Paramedics. A decade ago patients that were in cardiac arrest and survived were extremely rare, as it is today. However with new technology and higher trained EMT's and Paramedics the chance of survival is improving.

More than 350,000 people suffered cardiac arrest across the United States in 2016 according to the American Heart Association. There was a 12% survival rate in which patients were discharged from the hospital. In 2015 there was a reported 10.6% survival rate, in 2014 there was a 10.4% survival rate and in 2013 a 9.5% survival rate.

During 2016 Plymouth Community Ambulance was dispatched

to approximately 15,000 calls. One hundred and fifty-eight of those dispatches were for a patient in cardiac arrest. Twenty of those patients survived and were discharged from the hospital due to the quick ambulance response, by stander CPR and the critical thinking skills of Plymouth Community Ambulance's highly trained EMTs and Paramedics. The twenty patients that survived cardiac arrest equates to 13%.

Multiple times a year Plymouth Community Ambulance's EMTs and Paramedics vigorously train for these scenarios to fine tune high quality CPR and to sharpen their critical thinking skills.

Plymouth Community Ambulance applauds these EMTs and Paramedics for giving their best effort to preserve the lives of the community we serve every day.

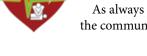
If you are interested in becoming CPR certified, please contact us at 610-277-2776 or visit our website at Medic308.org.

Free Car Seat Installations and Inspections

Plymouth Community Ambulance Association (PCAA) is proud to offer car seat installations and inspections free of charge to the community. Our community's safety is of utmost importance to us and by offering this service, along with education on the importance of car seat safety we are helping to insure the youngest members of our community can remain safe. If you are interested in a free car seat installation or inspection please e-mail carseat@medic308.org and a member of our inspection team will contact you to schedule a time to meet.

PCAA is also proud of our specialized bike team. This team consists of members who are nationally certified through the International Police Mountain Biking Association. Members of this team are able to navigate tough situations such as crowded community days to ensure that medical aid is easily obtainable by those in need. This team has an advantage as it can get to injured citizens in crowded areas faster than a crew that is coming to render aid in an ambulance. These members are also

able to patrol the Schuylkill River Trail that runs through the southern border of the community we serve.



As always PCAA is proud to offer to the community First Aid and CPR classes at reasonable prices for all members of the community. If you are interested in setting up an individual or group class please e-mail edu@medic308.org.

Advanced Education Scholarships

Plymouth Ambulance Community Association (PCAA) is committed to advancing the education of its employees. Each year PCAA offers a scholarship to employees interested in advancing from the Emergency Medical Technician Basic Level to the Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic Level. The 2016 Paramedic Scholarship was awarded to recently promoted Lieutenant Kristen Kovacs. Lieutenant Kovacs will attend the thirteen month Montgomery County Paramedic Program. This advanced level course provides students with a greater knowledge of human anatomy and physiology, pharmacology, treatment modalities and lifesaving equipment. Once completed Lieutenant Kovacs will join our 2015 graduates, Lieutenant Ian Hoffman and Paramedic Colin Hunsicker in providing the community with the highest level of patient care possible.

Plymouth Ambulance hosts 7th Annual Operation Christmas Kids Toy Run

On Saturday, December 17th despite the freezing rain and light snow, members of Plymouth Ambulance hosted its 7th annual Toy Run to benefit the sick children that are in Bryn Mawr and St Christopher's Hospitals for the holidays. The day began with pictures with Santa at their main station at 902 Germantown Pike. Area residents came to see Santa and deliver donations of presents for the ambulance to drop off at the hospital.

Plymouth Ambulance, along with Police, Fire and other Ambulance agencies throughout Montgomery County delivered the toys in a parade type fashion to Bryn Mawr and St. Christopher's. Approximately 8,000 toys were delivered to the two hospitals, were they will be distributed to children on Christmas and throughout the year for birthdays and other special occasions.



2016 Toy Run ~ St. Christopher's Hospital



2016 Toy Run ~ Bryn Mawr Hospital

POLICE NEWS SECTION

National Night Out

On Tuesday, August 2, 2016 we welcomed all Township residents and area citizens to attend the 2016 National Night Out Against Crime. This event was once again sponsored by the Target Store and the Plymouth Township Police Department, and was held in the parking lot at the Metroplex.

The evening provided an opportunity for citizens to learn about various services available to them through different organizations and agencies. There were over a dozen federal, county and local agencies in attendance this year, as well as many vehicle displays and live demonstrations. An estimated 1,100 people attended this great community event. This year's National Night Out is scheduled for Tuesday, August 1, 2017 from 6pm to 9pm.



PA National Guard 111th Stryker Unit – Plymouth Meeting



Montgomery County Sheriff's Department Bomb Disposal Robot



District Justice Frank Bernhardt, District Attorney Kevin Steele with his Team



Mission Kids



Harmonville Fire Co.



Ofc. Joe DiDonato, Ofc. Holly Donhonue, Ofc. Mark Solorio, Sgt. Bob Heger, Ofc. Mark Lacy, Ofc. Jeff Conrad, Ofc. Jon Monaghan, Ofc. Mike Watts

A Hero is Honored

On Sunday, September 18, 2016, Sergeant Bob Heger, Officer Mark Lacy, Officer Jeff Conrad, Officer Jon Monaghan, Officer Mike Watts, and Officer Holly Donohue completed the Third Annual Brad Fox Memorial Bike Ride. They were escorted by Motor Officers, Officer Mark Solorio and Officer Joe DiDonato from Plymouth Township and many volunteers.

Officers started at the memorial site where Officer Fox was killed and rode 19 miles to Brad's

parent's house. After a brief stop, officers continued 15 miles to where Officer Fox was laid to rest, Washington Crossing National Cemetery. After paying their respects officers continued 13 miles to William Tennent High School where Brad went to school and then 21 more miles back to the memorial. Congratulations on your 68 mile journey we're very proud of you all!



Riders and Escort Officers with Mr. and Mrs. Fox, Lynsay, Kadence and Brad, Jr.

Welcome to the Force

On January 9, 2017 Officer Paul D. Subbio was hired by Plymouth Township Council. Officer Subbio is 25 years old and is a life-long resident of Plymouth Township. Officer Subbio is a graduate of Kennedy-Kenrick High School and has a Bachelor's Degree from Bloomsburg University. We welcome Officer Subbio to the force and wish him a long and rewarding career.

DJ Frank Bernhardt, parents Fran and Joe, and Officer Subbio



POLICE NEWS SECTION

5th Annual Fox Trot 5k Run/Walk

On Saturday, November 5, 2016 hundreds of runners, walkers, and volunteers gathered at our police station to take part in the 5th Annual Fox Trot 5k Run/Walk. The weather was sunny and dry which really made the day a big success. Volunteers are already planning the next run in November 2017.







Race Organizer Deanna Kozak with Kadence and Brad, Jr.

Thanksgiving Meals for Fallen Heroes Run

On November 22, Thanksgiving meals were delivered to the families of Police Officer Richard Lawn Jr. (EOW 7/28/03), Police Officer Michael H. Wise (EOW 6/5/04), Police Officer Scott A. Wertz (EOW 8/6/06), Deputy Sheriff Kyler Pagerly (EOW 6/29/11) and Police Officer Brad Fox (EOW 9/13/12). Just as a reminder that all police departments are invited to attend this wonderful annual event.



Officers at the Fox-Watts residence, with Lynsay, Kadence, Brad Jr. and K-9 Nick

Shopping Online Safely

Online shoppers should be aware of cyber criminals who use various deceptive methods to steal personal and financial information from internet users. Scammers employ creative techniques to fool victims for their own benefit, including operating fraudulent auction sales, "too-good-to-be-true" deals via phishing emails, quick money schemes, or offering gift cards as a reward for purchasing certain products. Often these scams target shoppers through advertisements on websites and through emails that appear to come from reputable retailers or online companies. Consumers should be cautious and never provide credit card numbers, bank account information, or other unique financial details directly to sellers. To safeguard your identity and money, always use a legitimate payment service to prevent the seller from making fraudulent transactions and exploiting personal information.

The following tips can help protect your personal information when shopping online:

- 1. Avoid using public computers or public wireless connections when shopping online. Public computers and wireless networks might contain malicious software that steals your information when you place your order, which can lead to identity theft.
- 2. Check your credit card statement routinely.
- 3. Do not respond to unsolicited emails (spam).
- Only open emails and attachments from known senders. Be cautious of emails from unknown sources that could possibly contain viruses.
- 5. Avoid filling out surveys and email messages that require personal information.
- 6. Use and maintain anti-virus software and a firewall.
- 7. Log directly into the official website of a business through your web browser instead of clicking a link provided in an email that appears to be from that business.
- 8. Verify any requests for personal information from your bank or credit card company.
- 9. If you are requested to act quickly or there is an emergency,

- it might be a scam. Cyber criminals often create a sense of urgency to get victims to react impulsively.
- 10. Look for "https" when making an online purchase. The "s" in "https" stands for "secure" and indicates that communication with the webpage is encrypted. This
 - webpage is encrypted. This helps to ensure your information is transmitted safely to the merchant and no one can spy on it.
- 11. Keep records of online orders in the event there are unauthorized charges on your credit card.
- 12. Avoid the deceptive "too-good-to-be-true" online deals.
- 13. Do not auto-save your personal or financial information on websites.
- 14. Use strong and unique passwords when creating accounts with online retailers.

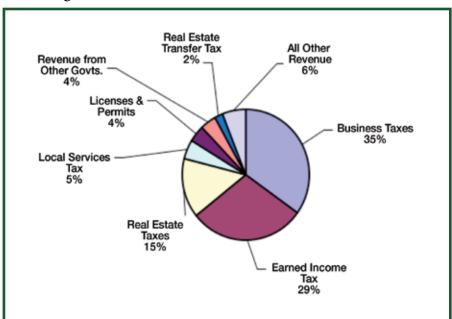
GENERAL FUND

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REVENUE AND TRANSFERS IN	
Real Estate Tax	\$2,663,000
Real Estate Transfer Tax	500,000
Earned Income Tax	7,000,000
Mercantile Tax	2,667,400
Business Privilege Tax	4,040,000
Local Services Tax	1,125,000
Solid Waste Tax	1,140,000
Other Taxes	426,612
Fire Services Fee	810,000
Licenses & Permits	978,190
Fines & Forfeitures	180,900
Interest	30,000
Revenue from Other Govts.	965,671
Charges for Services	838,755
Miscellaneous Revenue	109,600
Transfers from Other Funds	268,466
	23,743,594
Beginning Fund Balance	8,313,603
Total Available	\$32,057,197

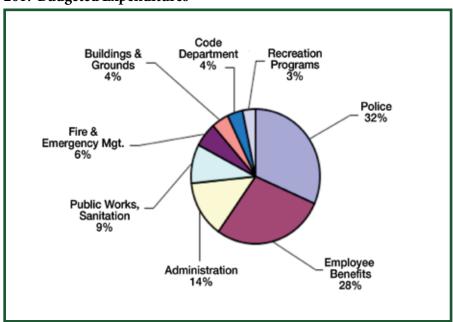
EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS OUT:

General Government	\$1,840,710
Public Safety	8,964,625
Code Department	930,922
Sanitation	1,096,064
Highways, Roads & Streets	1,143,510
Buildings & Grounds / Parks	1,031,634
Recreation Programs	773,897
Employer Payroll Taxes	895,000
Insurance	526,000
Employee Benefits	6,740,890
	23,943,252
Designated for	
Future Expenditures	8,113,945
Total Accounted For	\$32,057,197

2017 Budgeted Revenue



2017 Budgeted Expenditures



OTHER FUNDS - BUDGETED EXPENDITURES

Sewer Fund \$2,394,300 Community Center Fund 2,634,807 Highway Aid Fund 635,700 Capital Funds 5,944,223

^{*} the complete 2017 budget document can be found on-line at www.plymouthtownship.org

PLYMOUTH 2016 ANNUAL REPORT

Township Manager

In January 2016 there was a blizzard for the record books, so long and bad that it qualified for federal disaster funding. The good news from this storm is that Plymouth Township was reimbursed \$91,500 from PEMA which was 75% of the \$122,000 cost to plow and salt the roads.

The most exciting ordinance adopted during the year was the ordinance to authorize the purchase of the Dickinson Farmstead. The Plymouth Meeting Historical Society approached the Township regarding the sale, desiring to preserve the 6 acres of open space from future development. The property is located at 2130 Sierra Road and has two historic homes, a barn, and a couple of outbuildings. Settlement is scheduled for later this year, but a master plan is already underway to determine the best uses for the property. A playground and trails are sure to be included in this newest Township park.

Many improvements were made to other parks throughout the Township. Villanova University paid for a turf infield on the Community Center Park baseball field, and the Township extended its lease to 2026 in return. In East Plymouth Valley Park, Field 4's infield was completely renovated with underground drainage, re-grading and sod. Harriet Wetherill Park got a new playground and pavilion as well as new restrooms and work continued on the nature center. New playground structures replaced old features in Community Center Park, Black Horse Park, JFK and Colwell Parks. The Township purchased a one-half acre parcel adjacent to JFK Park for much needed additional parking.

New sidewalks have been constructed on Germantown Pike between Walton and Jolly Roads thanks in large part to a PADOT grant funding 70% of the project. There are now continuous sidewalks on the north side of Germantown Pike from the Plymouth Meeting Mall to Arch Road.

We engaged the Montgomery County Planning Commission to prepare a new Comprehensive Plan. The County planners along with a newly formed committee will meet over the next 18 months to identify existing conditions: land uses, resources, housing, employment, community facilities, etc., but more importantly, FUTURE land uses, housing, circulation, community facilities, utilities, resources, conservation and recreation, and environmental protection.

After forty-five years, the Municipal Administration and Police Building is in need of expansion and renovations. A master plan is in progress and should be finished by July. Besides needing more space, we hope to bring natural gas to the property for more energy efficiency and better security for employees and visitors.

Stop signs, speed limit signs and traffic control measures were added to Jolly Road, Millcreek Road, Skip Road, and the Arrowwood development in response to residents' concerns for the safety of their neighborhoods. Additional signage has been approved and will be added soon to Harmon Road, and Kirk and Keys Streets.

The Township was obligated to adopt a new Floodplain ordinance in conjunction with the new FEMA mapping. We also adopted a Sinkhole ordinance with regulations for development in areas with karst geology, prone to sinkholes.

Looking ahead to 2017, there are no tax increases for the residents and businesses. Real Estate taxes in Plymouth are the 7th lowest of the 62 municipalities in the County, and the Township taxes include many valuable services like trash collection for its residents. Not many of the lower or higher taxed municipalities include as many services as Plymouth does!

It was another busy year and all this good work was made possible by the excellent employees of Plymouth Township! As always, I give special thanks to Plymouth Council and to all of our volunteers for their tireless efforts and continued service to the community. Plymouth Township – A Premier Place to Live, Work and Play

Public Works

The Public Works Department continued its efforts to upgrade, maintain and expand the Township's roadways, storm sewers, ADA Handicap Ramps and other infrastructure throughout the year. Ongoing efforts to reduce Inflow and Infiltration in the sanitary sewer system continued. Red Zone Robotics has finalized the televising and analyzing over 60 miles of sanitary sewer to better help the Public Works Department prioritize and maintain its infrastructure.

Major projects during the year included the completion of the Diamond Run Sanitary Sewer Project Phase 2 and the Lafayette Street Corridor Project. The Annual Street Paving program included the following streets: Portions of Gallagher Road, North Gravers Road, and Hickory Road. Monterey Drive and Westwood Circle were paved in their entirety.

The Public Works Department's efforts were enhanced by major equipment upgrades, a Highway Truck to serve the entire Township and we took possession of a new Swap loader with single man leaf unit. This purchase was part of a 902 Recycling Grant Award in the amount of \$222,420.04. The DEP Share is \$200,178.03 (90%) and the Township's share is \$22,242.00 (10%) of the total cost. This equipment upgrade made our Fall curbside leaf collections one of the best ever.

Street name signs are still in the process of being replaced throughout the Township. The new signs will be a different color (green), larger and will have a high intensity reflectivity for better visibility. All other signs will be replaced as well with high reflectivity materials.

Many water mains throughout the Township were replaced in 2016 and will continue in 2017 as part of Aqua PA's infrastructure improvements.

Electronics collection drop-off continues to grow in Plymouth Township. This new program collects televisions, electronics, computers, small appliances and rechargeable batteries to name a few.

Single Stream Recycling and the Yard Waste programs continue to improve. In recognition of this standout recycling program, Plymouth Township, for the eighth year in a row received a 2016 PA Waste Watchers Award. Awards were given state wide to municipalities, counties, private businesses, individuals, and community organizations for going above and beyond what is mandated under Act 101. Yard waste has exceeded the 1,000 ton mark for the seventh straight year. In 2016 Plymouth Township recycled almost half of the solid waste it collected.

Continued routine operations of the Public Works Department include trash, recycling, yard waste and white goods collection; chipper programs, leaf collection, electronics collection, mulch delivery and composting.

In 2016 the Public Works Department applied for a CMAQ (Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Grant) sponsored by the DVRPC. Our application was one of 17 projects awarded out of 27 applicants. We were awarded the grant in the amount of \$515,955 for 4 compressed natural gas vehicles. This will replace 2 existing diesel trash trucks and 2 diesel highway trucks with 4 new vehicles that run on clean energy compressed natural gas (CNG). Plymouth Township is committed to clean energy options as this project will significantly reduce harmful diesel exhaust emissions and engine noise all the while enhancing the State's energy independence and security. This is the first grant of its kind (CNG) in Montgomery County. "Look" for these new CNG vehicles in your neighborhood sometime in September 2017 because you probably won't hear them coming!

Development & Zoning

In 2016, there were two land developments filed within the Township. They were Plymouth Hospitality, LLC for a new Holiday Inn Express at 300 Lee Drive, and Be Amazing, LLC for a new Goddard School at 3023-3025 Walton Road.

2016 also featured the beginning of construction of a new Dunkin Donuts at 439 West Germantown Pike, a new Wawa at 1300 East Ridge Pike, a six lot subdivision at 121 North Lane, a Mission BBQ and eye care facility at 601 West Germantown Pike, a new CVS at 2400-2410 Butler Pike, and a four lot subdivision at 1965 Main Avenue.

There were 1,400 building permits, 186 Use and Occupancy permits, and 12 Zoning Use and Occupancy permits issued. The Zoning Hearing Board heard 33 appeals.

Police Department

2016 was another busy year for the Plymouth Township Police Department. On January 11, 2016 Officer Tom Marinello celebrated 20 years of service to Plymouth Township and on May 9, 2016 Officer Joe DiDonato celebrated his 20 years of service to Plymouth Township. We wish them continued success for the rest of their careers.

On Sunday, May 15, 2016 our Police Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Nicolas Salios passed away with his family at his side. After 15 years of dedication, guidance, support and service to our department we said "goodbye".

On July 11, 2016 Officer Cameron Legge was hired. Officer Legge is a graduate from Spring-Ford High School and has a Bachelor of Science Degree from Lock Haven University. Officer Legge served in the United States Marine Corps from 2011 to 2014. We welcome Officer Legge to the force and we wish him a long and rewarding career.

Some notable arrests were made for serious incidents. Three bank robbers were arrested; one of them was armed. Eight other robbers were arrested; four of them were armed. Five burglars were arrested committing numerous commercial burglaries. Our Special Investigation Unit also arrested six suspects in a heroin drug distribution ring.

The department obtained \$40,650 in grant monies. A breakdown of the funding sources include: Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board Grant (\$20,000), Pennsylvania Aggressive Driving Grant Wave 2 (\$2,200), Pennsylvania Aggressive Driving Grant Wave 3 (\$2,200), Pennsylvania Seat Belt Enforcement & Education May Grant (\$3,350), Pennsylvania Seat Belt Enforcement & Education Child Passenger Safety Grant (\$3,800), Pennsylvania Aggressive Driving Grant Wave 1 (\$1,150), Pennsylvania Seat Belt Enforcement & Education Teen Seat Belt Grant (\$1,200), Pennsylvania Seat Belt Enforcement & Education Thanksgiving Grant (\$1,750), Target Store Law Enforcement Grant (\$1,000) and the Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Program provided (\$4,000) in funding.

The Police Department, as in years past, continues to provide the best possible service to all members of our community. We pledge to maintain a safe and harmonious community for all.

Parks and Recreation

The Parks and Recreation Department has moved forward on a variety of construction, programming and planning projects this year. We are pleased to offer a wide variety to the public.

The GPCC offered many new promotions in 2016. Among those were our annual 10% off sales in March and October, a December 5% off promotion, a thirty day for \$30 college special, and a family four pack special swim promotion. These promotions were all successful.

SilverSneakers and Silver Fit memberships continued to increase and seniors enjoyed the social events including a BBQ Party and a Pot Luck Thanksgiving Dinner. The Fitness Center saw an increase in attendance and Personal Training sessions were up.

We refined the group and private swim lesson schedule along with our overall schedule. Among other programs, this allowed us to rework the family Aquatic Special Events which were very popular.

Overall Programming went well. The GPCC Summer Camp once again had a great year. We offered a discount for July 4th week and filled it for the first time. Due to Pickleball's popularity, we started a new economical multi visit pass. We offered a new a la carte Birthday Party package and increased parties by 120%. We successfully launched a new phone app for programs and registrations and completed a major comprehensive computer system upgrade. Web registration increased to almost 30% through our use of social media and promotions.

A DCNR grant allowed us to install a nature-themed playground, pavilion and initial classroom and restrooms at Harriet Wetherill Park. A ribbon cutting ceremony was held on September 26th with a good turnout. We applied for a new DCED-Act 13 grant to close in and weatherize the Harriet Wetherill Park barn and were awarded \$125,000.

We applied for a DCNR grant to update our Comprehensive Park, Recreation and Open Space plan and received a matching grant of \$50,000. Updating our plan provides us with the planning focus that we need to continue to apply for grants to update and expand the Township Facilities. The grant will be utilized to recommend program and facility improvements, new directions that need to be taken and also add a focus for a bikeway and walkway plan to give Plymouth more connectivity.

Our partnership and volunteer program assembled 75 volunteers to help with various programs. The Ridge Park Elementary first grade class helped with an Earth Day program and completed a mock election via a student penny challenge, voting for a bird hotel near the bird blind at Harriet Wetherill Park and raising \$1,401. Plymouth Elementary sold bird seed as a fundraiser for Harriet Wetherill Park contributing over \$1,000 to purchase bird seed, bird houses and feeders for the park's bird blind.

MLK Jr. Day of Service was very successful with making dog and cat toys and compiling donationss for the military.

Our sponsorship program was updated and with our generous partners, Plymouth Township Day was one of our best ever.

We would like to thank our staff for their hard throughout the year to provide a long list of innovative programs for the community. In addition, we thank our patrons who remain loyal and challenge the staff to keep coming up with programs to keep them healthy and active. A special thanks to those who donated, sponsored and volunteered to our programs and special events. The Township could not offer these without your support.

We wish you all a healthy and prosperous 2017.

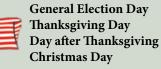
2017 Solid Waste Holiday Collection Schedule

- If a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday the holiday is observed on Monday.
- When a holiday falls on your recycle day during the week, recycling will be picked up on Wednesday of that week. Your trash will be picked up on your next scheduled trash day.

Collection of trash will be made on the next scheduled collection day when the collection day falls on the following Township holidays:

Good Friday Memorial Day Flag Day **Independence Day Labor Day**

Friday, April 14, 2017 Monday, May 29, 2017 Wednesday, June 14, 2017 Tuesday, July 4, 2017 Monday, September 4, 2017

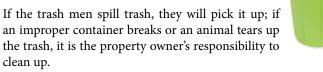


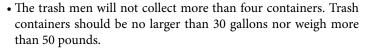
Tuesday, November 7, 2017 Thursday, November 23, 2017 Friday, November 24, 2017 Monday, December 25, 2017



TRASH COLLECTION

- Place trash at curb no later than 6:00 A.M. on the day of collection, but no earlier than 7:00 P.M. on the prior evening.
- Store in water-tight containers with handles and loose fitting lids. Do not place trash in paper bags, plastic bags or cardboard boxes.
- If the trash men spill trash, they will pick it up; if clean up.





- Unacceptable items include: Refuse from the construction of buildings such as sand, earth, lumber, brick, stone, mortar, plaster, roofing materials, plumbing fixtures, etc.; and auto parts, hazardous wastes, household appliances, and yard waste.
- Large items such as furniture will be picked up on your second regular trash day of the week.
- The Township collects household appliances once per month. See the section on Household Appliance and Scrap Metal collection for details. For hazardous waste info call the Montgomery County Household Hazardous Waste Program at 610-278-3618. Homeowners must dispose of other items on their own.

RECYCLING

- Recyclables are collected once a week on your designated recycling day.
- Place items in the blue recycling container and leave it at the curb no later than 6:00 a.m. Additional containers may be used, but must be marked for recycling. Recycle stickers are available at the Township Building at no charge.
- Large cardboard items may be placed next to the containers.
- Damaged containers can be exchanged at no cost; lost containers will be replaced at \$25 per container.
- The following items are recyclable:
 - 👣 Glass
 - 🐼 Aluminum and Bimetal Cans
 - 👣 Paper and cardboard
 - 🌄 Plastic (#1 thru #7)

HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCE & SCRAP METAL COLLECTION FEE: \$10

The Township has a separate collection for stoves, freezers, refrigerators, air dehumidifiers, conditioners, washing machines, dryers, metal cabinets and all metal furniture, because these items are not accepted at the trash-to-steam plant.



These items are picked up once a month on the third Wednesday of the month. Residents desiring to have an appliance removed must call the Public Works Department by the second Friday of the month at (610) 277-4103 to get the \$10 disposal sticker and to be placed on the list. Items without stickers will not be collected. Once stickers are purchased there are no refunds.

Dishwashers can be put out on your second regular trash day.

ELECTRONICS COLLECTION (COVERED DEVICE ACT)

Electronics are required by Law to be recycled under the new Covered Device Act. They will not be accepted in regular trash.

TELEVISION DISPOSAL FEE

The Township has an electronics and universal waste dropoff located at the public works building at no cost. (excluding televisions)

Televisions can either be dropped off at the Publics Works Electronic Shed for a \$20 fee or for a \$30 service fee we will pick it up curbside on the third Wednesday of the month. Residents desiring to have a television removed must call the Public Works Department by the Friday before the collection date at (610) 277-4103 to get the \$30 disposal sticker and to be placed on the list. Items without stickers will not be collected. A disposal sticker is required for curbside television collection only. Once stickers are purchased there are no refunds.

the Public Works Office 610-277-4103 for dropoff procedures and location information or to get on the television disposal list.



YARD WASTE

- Yard waste is collected every Wednesday.
- Yard waste should be put out before 6:00 a.m. on Wednesdays.
- Yard waste consists of grass clippings, twigs/shrub trimmings and pruning, leaves, and garden waste (pinecones, weeds, dead plants). **Rocks, dirt** and **logs** are not considered yard waste.
- Place in biodegradable brown paper bags or in a designated Yard Waste container (trash can). Please, no plastic bags. Brown bags can be purchased at Home Depot, Lowes and some grocery stores.
- Yard waste will not be collected in the blue recycling containers.

Note: All recyclables and yard waste are collected in a designated trash truck as part of our single stream recycling. So rest assured that although all recycle materials will be collected with a trash truck, they are still being recycled to protect our earth and reduce disposal costs.

MULCH DELIVERIES

For a charge of \$30 the Public Works Dept. will deliver up to 1 dump truck load (approx. 5 yards) to your household. There is a 1 yard minimum.

Each year over 1,000 tons of yard waste is collected. This material is stockpiled so it will break down at the public works yard. This material along with composted leaves is processed by our tub grinder to make mulch. The processed material is a makeup of about 75% woody material and 25% broken down composted leafy material. Together it makes mulch to place around trees and flower gardens. This material holds moisture for your trees and gardens and amends the soil with additional nutrients.

Deliveries are every Friday throughout the year from March to November. Anyone who would like a mulch delivery must come to the Public Works office in person to sign a release of liability and pay the \$30 delivery charge. If you would like delivery on Friday you need to pay and sign the waiver before Wednesday at 4:00 PM the week of delivery.

For more information, contact the Public Works office at 610-277-4103.



BRANCH AND CHIP PROGRAM COLLECTION

- The Township runs two Branch and Chip Collection Programs during the year.
 - Spring March 6 through April 13, 2017
 - Fall September 5 through October 6, 2017
- Residents must call the Public Works Department prior to NOON Wednesday
 of the week to schedule their pick up.
- Branches will be collected on Thursday and Friday, weather permitting.

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- Collection may be delayed until Monday or Tuesday of the following week.
- Residents should comply with the following:
 - Leave the branches as long as possible, a minimum of five feet in length.
 - Nothing over five inches in diameter can be chipped.
 - Branches should be placed at the curb in an orderly pile.
 - Branches with thorns will not be collected.





STORM WATER REGULATIONS

New federal storm water regulations require Plymouth Township, as well as most other municipalities in "urbanized areas" across Pennsylvania, to comply with the Environmental Protection Agency's new storm water management program. One of the many requirements of the program is to obtain a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The program in Pennsylvania is administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Plymouth received its new permit on June 28, 2013. The Township is in the process of implementing the storm water management protocols developed by the DEP.

Under the DEP program, Plymouth Township will implement the six required Best Management Practice (BMP) control measures, including Public Education, Public Participation, Illicit Discharge

Detection and Elimination, Construction Site Run-off Control, Post Construction Storm water Management and Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Maintenance.

An important part of the Township's compliance plan is to educate the public regarding the environmental impact of storm water run-off. The PA DEP maintains a website with comprehensive information on storm water education (www.dep.state.pa.us). The Plymouth Township website (www.plymouthtownship.org) also has information and links to other websites.

We also ask that residents report any suspected pollution incidents to the Township at 610-277-4103. This includes the dumping of wastewater, illicit liquids or solids into streams or storm sewers.

WHERE DOES YOUR SUMP PUMP FLOW?

Are you aware that it is illegal to have your sump pump connected to the sanitary sewer system? Illegal sump pump connections put unnecessary rain water into the Township's sanitary sewer system. The Township pays to have this water treated. This results in higher sewer rates for everyone. In addition, it can overload pump stations and other facilities. This leads to sewer overflows, which can cause environmental, and other health hazards, as well as costly property damage. It can also lead to expensive facility upgrades, which result in higher sewer rates and taxes.

What can you do to help? Make sure you sump pump is not connected to the sanitary sewer system. Sump pumps should be connected to a pipe so it can discharge to a lawn area where it can infiltrate back into the ground. Keeping rain water out of the sanitary sewer system will help keep rates from rising unnecessarily.

If you need help with suggestions on where to re-route your sump pump discharge, please call the Plymouth Township Public Works Department at 610-277-4103.







NEW INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR SELLING YOUR HOME

Property Sale Sewer Inspection

The owner must have the sewer lateral inspected by a licensed Master Plumber, that is registered in the Township prior to the sale of a property. It is recommended that this process start once the property is listed for sale due to the time it will take for completion, but no later than once a property has an agreement of sale. The inspection should be completed before the property is transferred.

The Plumber must video the lateral from the house to the inlet of the main to make sure there is no water infiltration or illegal hook-ups (sump pumps or storm water inlets).

Then the Plumber will prepare a report stating what is found and provide a copy of a video on CD or DVD that will be given to the Township.

If the lateral is found to be deficient, then a permit application must be submitted and approved, prior to repairs being made. Repairs should be completed prior to transfer of the property.

Once the repairs are made the Plumber must submit a report stating that all deficiencies have been corrected.

If the repair can't be made prior to settlement, then a Home Sale Affidavit signed by the buyer must be submitted to the Township before a Certificate of Adequacy will be issued.

Work must be completed no later than 30 days after settlement. This inspection is in addition to the curb & sidewalk inspection.

CERTIFICATE OF ADEQUACY

All properties must have their sewer lateral, curb and sidewalk and house numbers inspected and a "certificate of adequacy" issued prior to resale.

CURB AND SIDEWALK INSPECTION: Township staff will perform the inspection. Damaged curbing and sidewalk meeting the replacement guidelines must be repaired in compliance with Township specifications. Properties without a curb and sidewalk will not be required to install them.

HOUSE NUMBER: Township staff will perform the inspection. Numbers must be 4" high and visible from street.

SEWER LATERAL INSPECTION: See Property Sale Sewer Inspection article.

There is a \$10 fee for the Certificate of Adequacy Application. Please allow at least three weeks for the curb, sidewalk, house number and sewer lateral inspection. Don't delay; request the inspection as soon as you list your property.

Condominiums are required to have their sewer lateral inspected and the disclosure statement signed prior to resale. Curb and sidewalk inspections are exempt for private communities.

Residents no longer need to register Deeds with the Township after they have been recorded by the County.

PLEASE KEEP OUR STREAMS CLEAN!





Any Questions?

One would never dream about dumping garbage into a creek.

But if waste runs down a storm drain that's exactly what happens!



Montgomery County Recycling Events

Sat., , June 10

Document Shredding

9:00 am - Noon (rain or shine)

Sat., May 6 Indian Valley Middle School

130 Maple Ave., Harleysville, PA 19438

Sat., October 14 Abington Junior High School

2056 Susquehanna Rd., Abington, PA 19001

Sun., October 29 Lower Merion Transfer Station

1300 North Woodbine Ave.

Penn Valley, PA 19072

Tire Collections

9:00 am - Noon (rain or shine)

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Montgomery County Community College 340 DeKalb Pike, Blue Bell, PA 19422

Sat., June 17 Western Montgomery Career and

Technology Center

77 Graterford Road, Limerick, PA 19468

Sat., July 1 Abington Junior High School

2056 Susquehanna Rd. Abington, PA 19001



Household Hazardous Waste

9:00 am - 3:00 pm (rain or shine)

Sat., April 22 Indian Valley Middle School
130 Maple Ave., Harleysville, PA 19438 Sat., June 24 Abington Junior High School
2056 Susquehanna Rd., Abington, PA 19001
Sat., May 13 Lockheed Martin
(enter on Goddard Boulevard)
230 Mall Boulevard
King of Prussia, PA 19406 Sur, October 23 Lover Marion Transfer Station

Temple University-Ambler Campus

(enter at 1431 East Butler Avenue)

Ambler, PA 19002

Sat., May 20

Sun., October 22 Lower Merion Transfer Station

1300 North Woodbine Ave. Penn Valley, PA 19072

Please visit MontgomeryCountyRecylces.org or call the recycling line at 610-278-3618 for additional information.





FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Fire Safety Tips for Spring and Summer

When Spring cleaning, dispose of old cans of paint and thinners and accumulated newspapers and magazines. Take advantage of Montgomery County's free recycling events.

As you clean your windows check them for ease of

opening. They may be needed as a means of exit in an emergency. If a bedroom is higher than two stories consider purchasing an escape ladder.

Change Your Clock - Change Your Battery! Change the battery in your smoke alarms and perform maintenance such as cleaning and dusting as per manufacturer's instructions. Remember proper placement of smoke alarms, with at least one on every level. Review and practice your home escape plan. Inspect and clean dust from the covers of your carbon monoxide alarms too.

Replace or clean your furnace filter. A dirty filter can lower the efficiency of the heating/cooling system, increase heating costs and cause fires.

Clean the kitchen exhaust hood and air filter. Keeping this clean of cooking grease will help keep a stovetop fire from spreading.

Always have a multi-purpose fire extinguisher accessible. Make sure it is Underwriters Laboratories (UL) listed or Factory Mutual (FM) approved. Check the gauges to make sure they are charged and ready for use.

Clean the clothes dryer exhaust duct, damper and space under the dryer. Poor maintenance allows lint to build up in the exhaust duct and cause fire.

Replace all extension cords that have become brittle, worn or damaged. Exposed wires may cause arcing, which will produce heat and can start a fire. Keep appliances and their power cords away from water or a heat source because this will damage the cord's insulation.

Outdoor Safety

- When using ladders, check for safe and proper placement. Be aware of any obstructions, electrical wires and tree branches.
- Check cords and outlets for fraying or exposed wiring on all electrically operated equipment.
- · Check fuel lines and connectors for leaking fuel on gas operated equipment.
- Fill lawn mowers, motorbikes, and power saws outside and only when the motor is cool. Store gasoline in a cool place away from the house in a detached garage or shed, and always in a metal self-closing approved safety can.
- Keep gasoline, all flammable liquids, matches and lighters away from children.

For additional fire safety information visit https://www.usfa.fema.gov

Thank you to our Sponsors

Plymouth Township gratefully acknowledges the generosity and support of the businesses and individuals who have placed advertisements in our newsletter. Plymouth Township Tidings has been designed and printed at no cost to our taxpayers. We encourage you to patronize these businesses as they play a substantial role in the economic vitality of our community.





Spring Pass Discount! 10% Off Pass Discount - March 18th

On Saturday, March 18th the GPCC will offer 10% off of new or renewed passes. Stay tuned for more promotions coming in 2017!

Annual Pass Rates

All basic aerobic classes are included in the price of your annual pass.

	Resid	dents	Non Residents	
	Paid in full amount	EFT monthly deduction	Paid in full amount	EFT monthly deduction
Primary Adult (18-61 years)	\$442	\$36.83	\$566	\$47.17
Primary Youth (3-17 years) Primary Senior (62 + years)	\$346	\$28.83	\$443	\$36.92
Additional Youth w/purchase of primary pass	\$80	\$6.67	\$93	\$15.50
Additional Adult/Senior w/purchase of primary pass	\$160	\$13.33	\$186	\$7.75

One-Month Pass Rates

All basic aerobic classes are included in the price of your one month pass.

	Residents	Non Residents
Primary Adult (18-61 years)	\$43	\$57
Primary Youth (3-17 years) Primary Senior (62 + years)	\$35	\$46
Additional Youth w/purchase of primary pass	\$14	\$16
Additional Adult/Senior w/purchase of primary pass	\$24	\$30





A complete listing and description of all programs and special events are listed in our program guide, Leisure Visions, mailed to homes in March, August and November or found online at www.plymouthcommunitycenter.org. Online registration is available or by phone at 610-277-4312.

Don't miss these special events!

April 1st:.....Brunch with the Bunny & Egg Scramble June 3rd:.....Plymouth Township Day

Fitness

60-Second Stress Relief Seminar

Tuesday, March 14 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. \$15 Pass Holders/\$20 Non-Pass Holders Learn how to integrate quick simple yoga practices into your day to create transformative moments of relaxation and rejuvenation. All ages and fitness levels welcomed. No previous • An effective small group training program is big yoga experience is required.

All Land Aerobic classes are free with annual and one month passes!

Total Body Fitness • Body Sculpt Yoga • Gentle Yoga Pilates/Yoga • Hard Core Senior Aerobics • SilverSneakers Classic Chair Yoga • SilverSneakers Circuit

Small Group Training (SGT) is Available at the GPCC!

- · Small group training is an affordable way to take advantage of a certified instructor's expertise at a lower financial investment than personal training.
- enough to retain the fun and competitiveness of a group dynamic, but small enough to receive more personalized attention.
- Certified instructors will supervise and make corrections along the way rather than just instruct. This ensures exercises are done properly and helps to achieve goals quickly.
- A typical time-frame is 4 weeks, short enough to commit without scheduling conflicts but long enough to see results.

Adult SGT

- Group Cycling
- · Cycle & Core
- Suspension Training
- Core Balance for Active Older Adults
- Boot Camp
- · Body Weight Burn

Youth Fitness Classes

- Pre-season Baseball & Softball Conditioning
- Xkids



Run your first 5K with our Fit to Run class

Coming in April. Fit to Run helps you build enough endurance to run 3.1 miles and also will help you look and feel better! More info in our Spring/Summer Leisure Visions or call Ed at 610-277-4906.

Aquatics

Flick & Float

Flick & Float Fridays will allow your family to enjoy a feature film once a month in March, April and May from 6:30 to 9:00pm. Check our Facebook page as the time gets closer for movie title and date announcements! Bring your own floats and enjoy a family movie night out... or "in" the pool that is!



Life Guards Needed

The GPCC aquatics department is looking for lifeguards, swim instructors, and water fitness instructors. Stop by or go online to fill out an application.

Work hours are flexible and we have everything from early morning to later evening shifts available. We are also open year round! Stop by or give us a call if you have any questions. Not certified yet? Check out our upcoming Lifeguarding and WSI classes in April and May. Upon completion you can fill out an application right away!

Bring your summer Camp to the GPCC!

Need a place for your camp to come swimming this summer? Check us out. You won't have to worry about sunscreen or bug bites here. Have your campers enjoy our two story water slide and spray features instead! And at a discounted rate! Contact the GPCC Pool Office for



further information 610-277-4312. We look forward to hosting your camp this summer.

Swim Lessons

Group and Private Swim Lessons are available. Sign up now with our new convenient class schedule. Some other features include:

- Small class size for beginner level lessons, 4 to 1 ratio
- Instructors go through in-depth swim lesson training
- Swim evaluations available prior to every session to help place your child
- Multiple Lesson Discount
- FREE Coupon for family swim or practice
- · Weekend private swim lesson sign ups

Summer Camp Programs

Summer Camp Counselors Needed!

The Greater Plymouth Community Center is hiring summer camp counselors for this summer. Must be 18 years or older. Please stop by the front desk and fill out an application.

Registration has begun for our Summer Camps. Below is a brief description. Please refer to our Summer Camp Brochure for all the details. You can also find it online.

Camp GPCC (Ages 6-12) June 19 through August 25 – Monthly billing available Location: GPCC

A traditional day camp with a variety of activities including arts and crafts, sports, swimming and day trips.

Teen Camp (Ages 12-15) June 26 through August 18 – Sign up weekly. Location: GPCC

Exciting adventures including trips, swimming, athletic competitions, challenging projects and games.

Playground Camp (Ages 6-12) A six week program beginning June 26 through August 4 Location: Plymouth Elementary

Traditional playground activities including arts and crafts, sports and day trips. Held outdoors with minimal structure.

Specialty Camps (Ages 5-16) Location: Varies

One week camp held throughout the summer including Sports, Theater, Science, Princess, Crafts, and more. See page 24.





Birthday Parties at the GPCC

New and Improved!

Check out our NEW a la carte Birthday Party Packages! Choose what you would like to bring and what you would like us to provide. These new affordable packages include staff to help run the party, bottles of water for the children and table covers. A la carte options include pizza, cake, paper goods, balloons, etc. Choose from Pool, Sports and Special Themed parties. Look for our new brochure online.

MLK Day of Service

On January 16, we held our 7th annual MLK Jr. Day of Service with volunteers from Girls Scout Troops and PJM (electric company). Dog and cat toys were

made by the scouts and will be donated to the SPCA Kitty Cottage and All 4 Paws. A donation for troops abroad was put together by PJM with donations collected throughout the year at the Community Center



Spring Break Activity Days April 10th to April 14th Grades K-8th

Looking for a fun place to send your kids during Spring Break? Send them to the GPCC. Each day will consist of a variety of games, sports, swimming and a project. Visit www.plymouthcommuitycenter.org or Leisure Visions for details and prices.



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Day/Date	Time	Name	
Wed., June 21	Dusk	Movie: Trolls	
Wed., June 29	7:00 pm	Wildflower	High energy Funk, R&B and Soul
Wed., July 5	Dusk	Movie: Finding Dory	
Wed., July 12	7:00 pm	Class Reunion	Oldies from the 50's-70's
Wed., July 19	Dusk	Movie: Jumanji (Rated P	PG)
Wed., July 26	7:00 pm	Coast 2 Coast	Motown, Top 40, Classic Rock, Pop & Funk favorites
Wed., August 2	Dusk	Movie: The Secret Life of	f Pets
Wed., August 9	7:00 pm	Andora	Alternative rock - cover and original music

Specialty Camps

Here is a list of some of our Specialty Camps we are offering this summer. For a complete description please refer to Leisure Visions.

June

Superhero Adventure Crafty Creations Princess Fantasy Mini Sport Stars





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Wildcat Baseball

July

Animal Drawing Workshop

Nature Explorers Camp by GeoVentures

Wilderness Survival Camp by GeoVentures

SuperStar Jump Rope

Track and Field by i9 Sports

Total Play Multi Sports by USSI

Chess by Chess Wizards

Cheerleading by i9 sports

Soccer Squiggles by Impact Sports

All-Star Soccer by Impact Sports

Tri-Golf by Impact Sports

August

Junior Discoverers by Science Explorers

Take A Dive by Science Explorers

Magical Wizarding by Brandywine Learning Center

Superhero Adventure

Princess Fantasies

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 610-279-1901

 Plymouth Fire Co.
 610-233-0602

 Harmonville Fire Co.
 610-828-0836

 Plymouth Ambulance
 610-277-2776

Sewer Emergency Monday - Friday , 8:00 am – 4:00 pm 610-277-4105

Nights, weekends and holidays 610-279-1901

Public Meeting Schedule

All meetings are held at the Township Municipal Building, 700 Belvoir Road, Plymouth Meeting, unless otherwise noted. For specific meeting times, please call 610-277-4100.

Council Meeting (Workshop) 1st Monday
 Council Meeting (Public Session) 2nd Monday
 Emergency Services Board 3rd Thursday

- January, March, May, July, September & November

• E. Norriton-Plymouth-Whitpain

Joint Sewer Authority 2nd Wednesday

- Meetings held at Sewer Plant. No meeting in July & December.

Historical Architectural Review Board 2nd Wednesday

- Meetings held at Whitemarsh Township Building at 8:30 a.m.
- Park, Recreation & Shade Tree Advisory Board

4th Tuesday

 Meetings held at Greater Plymouth Community Center. Call 610-277-4312 to confirm.

Civil Service Commission
 Planning Agency
 Zoning Hearing Board
 Environmental Advisory Board
 2nd Thursday
 1st Wednesday
 3rd Monday
 4nd Thursday
 3rd Monday
 3rd Tuesday

Plymouth Township Voting Locations

Primary Election Day *Tuesday, May 16, 2017* • **General Election Day** *Tuesday, November 7, 2017* If you have any questions, please call Plymouth Township or Montgomery County Voter Services at (610) 278-3280.

DISTRICT **LOCATION** Central Montco Tech School, 821 Plymouth Road Greater Plymouth Community Center, 1 - 13 - 1 1 - 2Central Montco Tech School, 821 Plymouth Road 2910 Jolly Road 2 - 1Plymouth Community Ambulance Building, 3 - 2 Plymouth Elementary School, 542 Plymouth Road 902 East Germantown Pike 3 - 3 Church on the Mall, Plymouth Meeting Mall 2 - 2 Plymouth Township Municipal Building, 4 - 1Ridge Park Elementary School, Karrs Lane & Little Avenue 700 Belvoir Road 4 - 2Plymouth Fire Company, 1323 Colwell Lane 2 - 3Harmonville Fire Station, 904 Germantown Pike



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